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## CHAPTER 10: ECONOMIC AND TRADE STATISTICS

### Appendix A: **Country Data**

Population	30.1 million (2003 est.)
Population Growth Rate	1.50%
Religion	Islam, Judaism (<1%)
Government System	Constitutional Monarchy, King Mohamed VI
Languages	Arabic (official), French (business), Berber dialects, Spanish (in north)
Location	On the northwest corner of Africa, less than 10 miles across the Straits of Gibraltar from Spain
Area	280,000 square miles, about the size of California
Coastline	2,120 miles; Mediterranean Sea and Atlantic Ocean
Climate	Mild Mediterranean in North; Rabat/Casablanca similar to San Diego; Marrakech, dry desert similar to Phoenix or Palm Springs
Work Week	Monday-Friday, 8:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m. and 2:30-6:30 p.m.

### Appendix B: **Domestic Economy**

<b>Year</b>	<b>2000</b>	<b>2001</b>	<b>2002</b>	<b>2003</b>
(est.)				
Gross Domestic Product (\$ in millions)	32,986	33,589	35,870	45,029
Real GDP Growth (percent change)	0.3	6.5	3.2	7.1
GDP per capita (\$)	1,149	1,152	1,208	1,492
Government Spending (percent GDP)	31	29.5	29.3	26.5
Inflation (Dec/Dec CPI percent change)	1.9	0.6	2.8	1.3

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Unemployment (urban, percent)	21.5	19.9	18.3	17.5
For-Ex Reserves (yr. End, USD mil)	5,159	8,943	9,980	11,730
Average Exchange Rate (Dh/\$)	10.6	11.4	11.1	9.7
Foreign Debt (\$ in billions)	16	14.2	13.9	13.6
Debt Service Ration (as pct of exports, goods, non-factor services, and private services)	20.8	19.3	NA	NA

Sources:

2000-2002: Moroccan government data

2003: Moroccan government and Embassy projections.

### Appendix C: **Trade**

(\$ in millions, except where noted)

<b>YEAR</b>	<b>2000</b>	<b>2001</b>	<b>2002</b>	<b>2003</b>
(est)				
Total Country Imports	7,427	7,057	7,716	9,227
Total Country Exports	11,515	10,885	11,653	14,081
US Exports	645.1	399.8	400.4	NA
US Imports	254	285	255	NA

Source: Moroccan government data.

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